

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. – 6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) In a computer system having a plurality of nodes, each node having access to a shared parallel server database and also having local storage, a method of performing an operation to completely rewrite said shared parallel server database comprising:

providing a local archived redo log in local storage for each said node, said redo logs including information regarding data in said shared common database;

selecting at least one node of said plurality of nodes to perform said operation to completely rewrite said shared parallel server database;

said selected node(s) obtaining information regarding a directory locations of said local redo logs for said plurality of nodes;

setting said local redo logs to be read/write accessible by said selected node(s);

accessing by said selected node(s) each of said local redo logs in local storage on each of said plurality of nodes;

accessing by said selected node(s) data in said shared parallel server database; and

completely rewriting database data files, control files and archived redo log in said shared parallel server database to said selected node(s) by said selected node(s) accessing data in said shared parallel server database and also in said local redo logs to provide data to completely rewrite said shared parallel server database.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7 wherein said archived redo logs in local files on each of said nodes are set to be read and write accessible through mounting with a network file system (NFS), using the same name for each of said nodes.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7 wherein said archived redo logs are created with names which allows a backup or recover utility to identify to which node an archived redo log belongs.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7 further including:

before said step of completely rewriting database data files, control files and said archived redo logs for said computer system, shutting down access to said shared parallel server database.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10 wherein said operation to completely rewrite said shared parallel server database allows for a user-supplied scripts for shutting down access to said shared parallel server database.